

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA
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DOCKET NO. 2020-293-C

Application of Cathect Communications Inc. for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Resold and Facilities-Based Local Exchange, Exchange Access and Interexchange Telecommunications Services in the State of South Carolina; and for Alternative and Flexible Regulation

Cathect Communications Inc. ("Applicant" or "the Company") requests the issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN") to Applicant from the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("the Commission") to provide facilities based and resold local exchange service (including exchange access) and interexchange telecommunications services throughout the State of South Carolina. Applicant also requests the Commission regulate its interexchange service offerings in accordance with the principles and procedures established for alternative regulation in Commission Order Nos. 95-1734 and 96-55 in Docket No. 95-661-C; and as modified by Commission Order No. 2001-997 in Docket No. 2000-407-C. In addition, Applicant requests flexible regulation for its local exchange telecommunications services in accordance with procedures authorized in Order No. 98-165 in Docket No. 97-467-C. The Application was filed pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Sections 58-9-280 and 58-9-310 and the rules and regulations of the Commission.

A copy of the Company's Application can be found on the Commission's website at www.psc.sc.gov under Docket No. 2020-293-C. Additionally, a copy of the Application is available from the Company's representative Robert D. Coble, Esquire; Nexsen Pruet Adams Kleemeier, LLC, Post Office Drawer 2426, Columbia, South Carolina 29202 .

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter as a Party of Record should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **February 12, 2021**, by filing the Petition to Intervene with the Commission, by providing a copy to the Office of Regulatory Staff and by providing a copy to all Parties of Record. For the receipt of future Commission correspondence, please include an email address in the Petition to Intervene. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2020-293-C and mail a copy to all other Parties in this Docket.*** Any person who seeks to intervene and who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing should notify, in writing, the Commission; the Office of Regulatory Staff at 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201; and the company at the above address, on or before **February 12, 2021**. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2020-293-C.***

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE a virtual hearing, pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-817, on the above matter has been scheduled to begin on **Monday, March 15, 2021, at 10:00 A.M.**, before a Hearing Examiner in the Commission's Hearing Room at 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100, Saluda Building, Columbia, South Carolina 29210 for the purpose of receiving testimony and evidence from all interested parties.

PLEASE BE ADVISED pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-9-280, as amended, the Commission will invoke the 120-day period allowed for consideration of this matter.

The rates proposed in the Company's Petition/Application are subject to potential modification by the Commission during the course of this case.

INSTRUCTIONS TO ALL PARTIES OF RECORD (Applicant, Petitioners, and Intervenors only): All Parties of Record must prefile testimony with the Commission and with all Parties of Record. Prefiled Testimony Deadlines: Applicant's **Direct Testimony Due: February 1, 2021**; Other Parties of Record **Direct Testimony Due: February 15, 2021**; Applicant's **Rebuttal Testimony Due: February 22, 2021**;

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and Other Parties of Record **Surrebuttal Testimony** Due: **March 1, 2021**. All Prefiled Testimony Deadlines are subject to the information as posted on www.psc.sc.gov under *Docket No. 2020-293-C*.

For the most recent information regarding this Docket, including changes in scheduled dates included in this Notice, please refer to www.psc.sc.gov and *Docket No. 2020-293-C*.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding **MUST** present such comments in person to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's procedures should contact the Commission at (803) **896-5100** or visit its website at www.psc.sc.gov.

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